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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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First Named Inventor	Dennis R. WILSON
Examiner Name	Daniel P. Stephenson
Art Unit	3672
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	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEESFee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>
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Indep. Claims	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>		360	180
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UNDERGROUND COAL BED
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Customer No.: 50639
Docket No.: 18326/03901 now COPH-03901-US
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2005, which provides for a response period ending November 23, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

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